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## KNOBIE AND CAPT. ALCOCK WIN HANDICAPS AT AQUEDUCT

## ENRIGHT PLEADS STOCK DEAL WITH ALLAN RYAN WAS O. K.

### Racing Results, Charts and Baseball

#### CAPT. ALCOCK WINS BAYVIEW HANDICAP IN DRIVING FINISH

Gets Decision Over Thunderclap by Half a Length in Exciting Race.

By Vincent Treanor.

AQUEDUCT RACE TRACK, Sept. 21.—Capt. Alcock defeated Thunderclap half a length in the Bayview Handicap this afternoon in one of the best races of the season. The race was a close one all the way, with Thunderclap a length in front. Coming down the stretch they ran like a train and both were under the whip. They bumped together once or twice. Thunderclap leading but some in the final sixteenth. Thunderclap was the favorite, but Alcock was held almost as closely by the others. The time of the race, 1:45.4, was good considering the condition of the track.

Thunderclap, a 15 to 1 shot, the extreme outsider in the betting, won the third race. After running second to the stretch he swerved out to the extreme rail and when the crowd was shouting for Studebaker, Thunderclap came with a rush and won easily. Thunderclap was second, in front of Gene W. Frigate, the favorite, led all the way to the final eighth and these quit badly under the whip. Knobie splashed through the mud in front in the Sun Star Handicap, winning by three lengths easily. Dry Moon chased him all the way and was just as easily second in front of Gladstone. Blazes was on his hind legs as the barrier went up. He never could improve his position and was beaten before the stretch was reached.

The opening event resulted in a victory for Legion, ridden by an apprentice, Bruennin. She was in front most of the way and stuck it out through trying to beat Theo. The latter also ridden by an apprentice. Swart was a fast closing second in front of Jingo. The choices, Atta Girl and Lucky Girl, got nothing. The track was muddy and many scratches resulted.

**RACING RESULTS.**  
AT LATONIA.  
FIRST RACE—Six furlongs. Age High, \$1.30 and \$2.20, first; Miss Berlin, \$1.40, second; Runar, third; Tim, \$1.25, fourth. All started.

**SEES BIGGEST BOOM U. S. HAS KNOWN 'JUST 'ROUND THE CORNER'**  
Secretary of Labor Davis Says It Will "Sweep Beyond Highest Pitch of Good Times."

COLUMBUS, O., Sept. 21.—The greatest prosperity ever is just around the corner, Secretary of Labor Davis declared today.  
"It will not be a return to normal, but a sweep beyond that to the highest pitch of good times," he said. "I can see the greatest era of prosperity the United States has ever known near at hand. We are on the verge of it." Mr. Davis was scheduled to address the annual convention of the American Insurance Union here to-night. He is an official of the union.

#### Evening World Racing Chart

AQUEDUCT, N. Y., SEPT. 21.—WEATHER RAINY. TRACK MUDDY.

703 FIRST RACE—For two-year-olds, fillies, selling, five furlongs, purse \$1,000. At post 1:14. Start good. Won easily, place same. Time, 1:01.2. Winner, by 1 1/2 lengths, Thud. Clap. Owner, W. Dugan. Trainer, T. J. Harrison.

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704 SECOND RACE—The Sun Star Handicap, all ages, six furlongs, \$1,200 purse. At post 1:14. Start good. Won easily, place same. Time, 1:30.2. Winner, by 1 1/2 lengths, Thud. Clap. Owner, W. Dugan. Trainer, T. J. Harrison.

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705 THIRD RACE—For three-year-olds and upward, conditions, one mile, purse \$1,000. At post 1:14. Start good. Won easily, place same. Time, 1:30.2. Winner, by 1 1/2 lengths, Thud. Clap. Owner, W. Dugan. Trainer, T. J. Harrison.

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FOURTH RACE—Bay View Handicap, for three-year-olds and upward, one mile and one-sixteenth. At post 1:14. Start good. Won easily, place same. Time, 1:30.2. Winner, by 1 1/2 lengths, Thud. Clap. Owner, W. Dugan. Trainer, T. J. Harrison.

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FIFTH RACE—Claiming, for three-year-olds and upward, one mile. At post 1:14. Start good. Won easily, place same. Time, 1:30.2. Winner, by 1 1/2 lengths, Thud. Clap. Owner, W. Dugan. Trainer, T. J. Harrison.

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Manion Ahead of Hunter in National Meet at St. Louis.  
ST. LOUIS, Sept. 21.—James Manion, one of the many young stars in this section, gained a one-hole lead over William Hunter, British titleholder, as the end of the first eighteen holes on the second round today for the national amateur championship on the links of the St. Louis Country Club. The match was hard fought all the way, the home star finally coming in with a narrow lead.  
Other favorites experienced rough going, indeed, after being three down, called and finished one up on Harrison Johnson of Minnesota. Chick Evans, defending champion, encountered stiff opposition from William Bockenkamp and came in for lunch with the slight advantage of one hole. Bob Gardner, twice former national champion, and Tommy Armour of Scotland were mixed up in a bitter fight, Armour finally stopping at the end of the round with a two-hole lead. Bobby Jones, boy wonder of the South, whose showing here has been very brilliant, ran up a lead of five holes on Dr. O. F. Willing of Portland.  
Champion Evans reached the first quarter post two up to Richard Bockenkamp of St. Louis. Evans going out in 38 to the home players 40. Bob Gardner of Chicago and T. D. Armour of Scotland each reached the turn in 38, with the Chicagoan one down. Bobby Jones shot par 35 on the outward trip, to be four up to O. F. Willing of Portland, Ore., who took 39.

#### DE VALERA READY, LONDON HEARS, TO DROP SOVEREIGNTY

Lord Lieutenant of Ireland Arrives at Gairloch for Conference.

GAIRLOCH, Scotland, Sept. 21 (Associated Press).—Viscount Farnham, Lord Lieutenant and Governor General of Ireland, arrived here this morning on board a destroyer. He conferred with Prime Minister Lloyd George, whose health continues to improve.

Beginning to-night or to-morrow a considerable number of Cabinet members will meet Mr. Lloyd George to discuss the pressing problem of unemployment and the Irish situation. Sir Alfred Mond, Minister of Health, and Thomas J. MacNamara, Minister of Labor, arrived this morning to present their views for a solution of the unemployment problem. Winston Spencer Churchill, Secretary for the Colonies, motored 120 miles from Dunrobin, on the east coast of Scotland, Lord Birkenhead, the Lord High Chancellor, is on the way from Dingwall, Ross-shire, and Sir Hamar Greenwood, Chief Secretary for Ireland, is coming from Inverness.

LONDON, Sept. 21 (Associated Press).—Latest reports received from Gairloch, where Premier Lloyd George is staying, say that a Ministerial conference may be held to-day, and there are rumors that Eamon De Valera has expressed willingness to withdraw his claim that the Irish delegates must go into conference as representatives of an independent and sovereign state.  
The decision of Mr. Lloyd George not to go to Washington has revived gossip of a coming general election, the idea being that there are now only two alternatives, a peace conference or an appeal to the country, either of which, since the conference has been so greatly delayed, would necessitate the Premier's presence in England in November.

#### SENATE FIGHT STARTS AS SOON AS ANTI-BEER BILL IS BROUGHT UP.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21.—The Anti-Beer Bill was called up in the Senate promptly today by Senator Sterling, Republican, South Dakota, after a conference with President Harding before the Senate would vote. The conference report, which the House adopted before the Congressional recess, and which was filibustered against in the Senate today met fiercest opposition. A quorum being demanded immediately.

"The bill would prohibit the prescription of beer by physicians and would make tighter present regulations governing the prescription of wine and whiskey."

#### NOMINATIONS SENT BY HARDING TO SENATE.

Joseph C. Green and John D. Prince His Choice for Ministers.  
WASHINGTON, Sept. 21.—President Harding today sent the following nominations to the Senate: Minister to Switzerland, Joseph C. Green, Massachusetts; Minister to Denmark, John D. Prince, New Jersey; Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, Charles W. Fugate, Nebraska; Colonel in the Finance Department, Herbert M. Lord, Quartermaster Corps (chief of finance with the rank of Brigadier General); Wesley Clark, United States Attorney for South Dakota.

#### ALLEGED GRAFT IN POLICING OF CITY DOCKS TAKEN UP BY THE MEYER COMMITTEE

Enright Pleads That Deal in Stocks With Ryan Was Legitimate.

NOT ASKED FOR FUNDS.

Declares He Would Have Been Obligated to Make Up Any Losses Incurred.

The Meyer committee this afternoon went into reports of graft in the policing of the city docks.

Anthony E. Vachris, former Lieutenant in charge of the Brooklyn Detective Bureau, who retired in 1912, was the first witness. He is now the head of a private detective agency which has contracts for guarding piers. He had a contract for the West 57th Street until Jan. 28, 1920, when it was terminated abruptly by the company.

Late in 1919, Mr. Vachris said, conditions on the streets near the pier became so bad as to fighting and theft that Mr. Vachris went to Commissioner Enright and asked for better police or that the Vachris guards be appointed as special policemen. There was a strike of longshoremen.

"They struck against me because I locked 'em up for stealing," said Mr. Vachris.

Mr. Enright, he said, referred the complaint to Chief Inspector Daly, on whom Mr. Vachris called with Lawyer Frank Gilbert of the Italian Line. Nothing came of the visit.

Inspector Dominick Henry appeared at the pier soon afterward, but did not speak to Mr. Vachris.

The peremptory dismissal of the Vachris concern followed. Then Adam Cross, former Inspector and Borough Chief of Police, appeared in place of Vachris.

The men to whom "special officers" badges were given when Vachris was in charge were appointed special policemen under Cross.

Mr. Vachris charged that men faithful to him were waylaid and beaten on their way home and could get no protection from the police.

"I lost my Italian Line job," said Vachris, "because I didn't have any roll left in the Police Department."

Assistant General Manager Behar of the Italian Line said the line now pays Adam Cross \$16 a day or \$50 a week.

At a conference between Capt. Ransig, Inspector Henry and the witness, he said, Cross's name was suggested by Henry.

The guard service of Cross cost about \$2,500 a week, as against \$1,200 a week for the Vachris service, so the witness said. He admitted paying to a sub-committee that until Cross was

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#### BALLOON TROPHY GOES TO SWISS

Ambrusler Wins Brussels Race, With Spencer, England, Second; Upson, U. S., Third.

BRUSSELS, Sept. 21.—Paul Ambrusler of Switzerland was today officially declared winner of the Gordon Bennett international balloon race, which started from here on Sept. 18. His balloon landed at Lamlash Island, near Dublin, Ireland.

#### LOWELL SHERMAN, ACTOR IN ARBUCKLE CASE, FOILS POLICE

Quits Train at Harmon and Is Piloted Here in Auto by Auburn-Haired Girl.

Lowell Sherman, moving picture "villain," and wanted as a witness in the Arbuckle case in San Francisco, having been a guest at the "party" that proved fatal to Miss Virginia Ruppe, arrived in New York this morning. Expected on the Twentieth Century Limited and wanted for questioning by District Attorney Swann, Sherman stepped off the Chicago train at Harmon and completed his journey to Manhattan in a racing automobile piloted by an auburn-haired young girl.

In the meantime Louis Lustig, attached to District Attorney's office and armed with a fourth summons to serve Sherman, paced the lower level of Grand Central Station awaiting the arrival of Sherman. Lustig was flanked by plain clothes Detective Edward Hooker of the East 31st Street Station and a horde of newspaper men.

As the second section of the Twentieth Century Limited arrived at 10:40 Lustig, carrying a little yellow suitcase, walked up and down shouting: "Telegram for Lowell Sherman! Telegram for Lowell Sherman!"

A group of motion picture actors who had accompanied Sherman from Chicago then laughingly told Lustig that if he "wanted" Sherman he had better try the roads between Manhattan and Harmon.

A young woman who gave her name as Miss Goodman and a man who said he was L. Gribben told Lustig and Detective Hooker they

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#### FIRE SWEEPS BLOCK IN L. I. CITY; GETS BEYOND CONTROL

Starts in Warehouse and Burns Property Worth About \$500,000.

A fire which got beyond control very soon after it was discovered started this afternoon in the storage warehouse of the Astoria Mallogany Company, at Seventh and Riker Avenues, in the Steiner section of Long Island City.

In the warehouse, which occupies more than a city block, were thousands of dollars worth of finished lumber and mallogany and in a short time the entire building was a scene of flames.

The flames had spread to the company's lumber yard, where were piled mallogany timbers and logs to the value of more than \$1,000,000.

From the blazing lumber yard the flames leaped across Seventh Avenue and in a twinkling the sheds of A. M. Ryan's coal yard were afire.

When the fire was at last under control it was estimated that the total loss would be about \$500,000. The damage to the Ryan coal property was about \$25,000.

#### 800 KILLED IN ONE LABORATORY WHEN GREAT CHEMICAL PLANT AT OPPAU, GERMANY, GOES UP

Whole Building Is Carried Bodily Into Air and No One Escapes—Oppau Is Heap of Ruins—Several Killed in Mannheim, 13 Miles Away

MAYENCE, Germany, Sept. 21 (Associated Press).—Eight hundred persons are reported to have been killed and many injured to-day by explosions in the Badische Anilin Fabrik works at Oppau, near Frankenthal, in the Rhine Palatinate. (Other reports make the total dead 1,000.)

The disaster appears to have been one of the most terrible in the history of industrial catastrophes.

The first explosion occurred when the shifts were being changed at 7:45 A. M. in a laboratory where 800 men were working. All of these are reported to have been killed.

This explosion was followed by a rapid succession of others, which rendered assistance to the first victims impossible.

The concussions were so terrific that they were felt in this city, some 35 miles from the scene, while at Mannheim, 13 miles distant, almost every window was shattered and several persons were killed and others injured by debris.

Some persons were killed at Ludwigshafen, across the river from Mannheim, many roofs were blown off houses and all the windows in the town were broken at Worms, while at Oppau itself nothing remains but a heap of ruins.

The shock was felt as far as Frankfurt, more than forty miles away, and many windows were broken there.

The whole district was enveloped in thick smoke, which, together with the cutting of telegraph and telephone communication with neighboring towns, hampered the efforts at assistance.

All the available fire brigades were rushed to the spot, but the work of rescue was found by the relief parties to be exceedingly difficult.

Rescuers who penetrated Oppau reported finding hundreds of dead and wounded lying in the debris. The injured inhabitants fled in panic when the explosions occurred.

The reports from the scene variously describe the disaster as due to the explosion of a gas tank or a spirit lamp.

One of the most circumstantial reports of the disaster says the first explosion occurred in Laboratory No. 3 of the old plant of the Badische company in Oppau. The laboratory was raised high by the air pressure from the sheet and then collapsed, not a single one of the 800 workers in it escaping death, the account states.

FRANKFURT-ON-MAIN, Sept. 21.—The Badische Anilinfabrik Company, according to the Frankfurter Zeitung, states that its plant at Oppau, where to-day's disastrous explosion occurred, was "partially destroyed." Further explosions, it was stated, were not feared.

The company's plant at Ludwigshafen, one of the largest in Germany, was not harmed. The Frankenthal sugar refinery, however, was considerably damaged.

Here in Frankfurt the street cars were temporarily tied up by the effects of the concussion.

Reports from the scene say that large forces of police and firemen, equipped with gas masks to guard them from the chemical fumes, are working to remove the injured, but are being hampered by a shortage of transportation.

PARIS, Sept. 21.—One thousand persons are reported to have been killed and several thousand others injured at Oppau, near Frankenthal.

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